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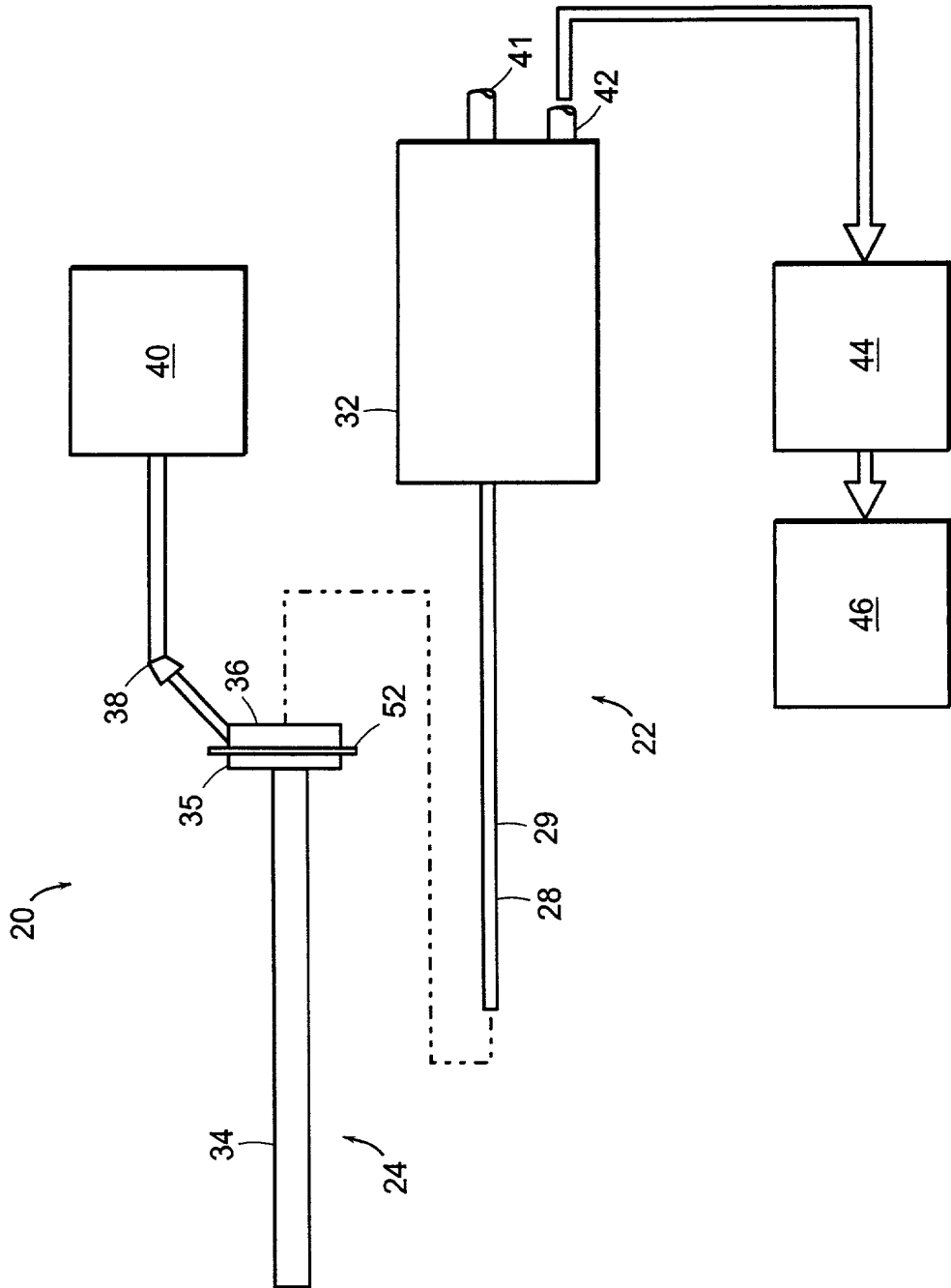
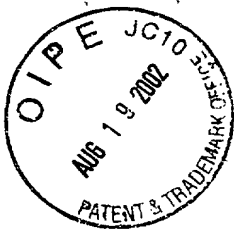


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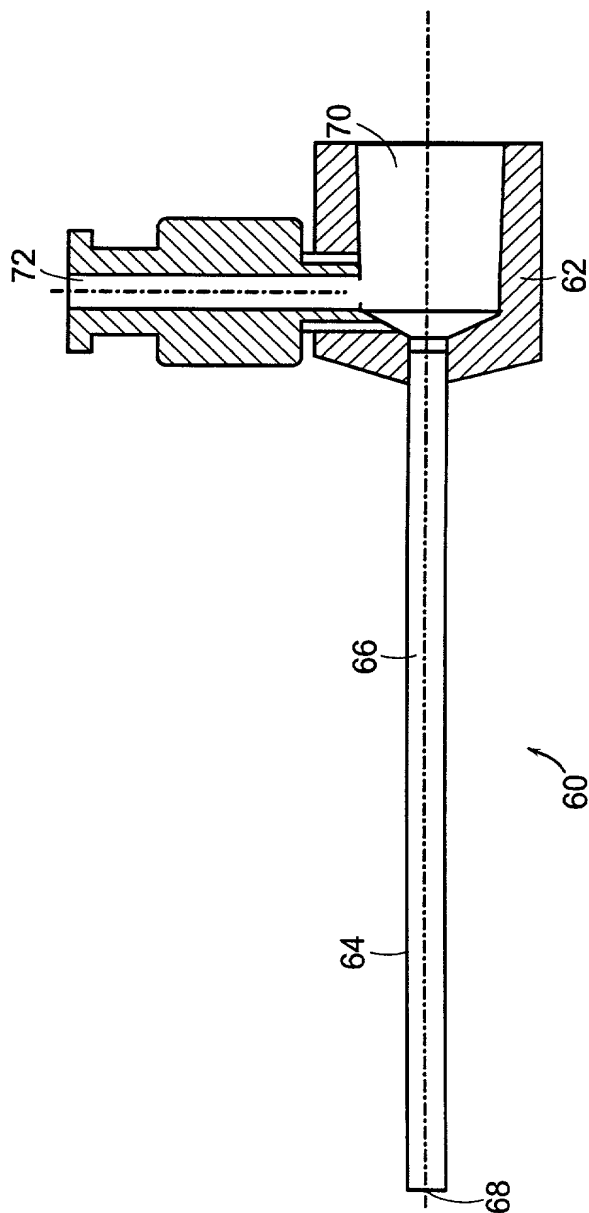
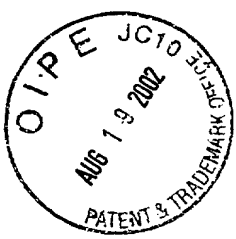


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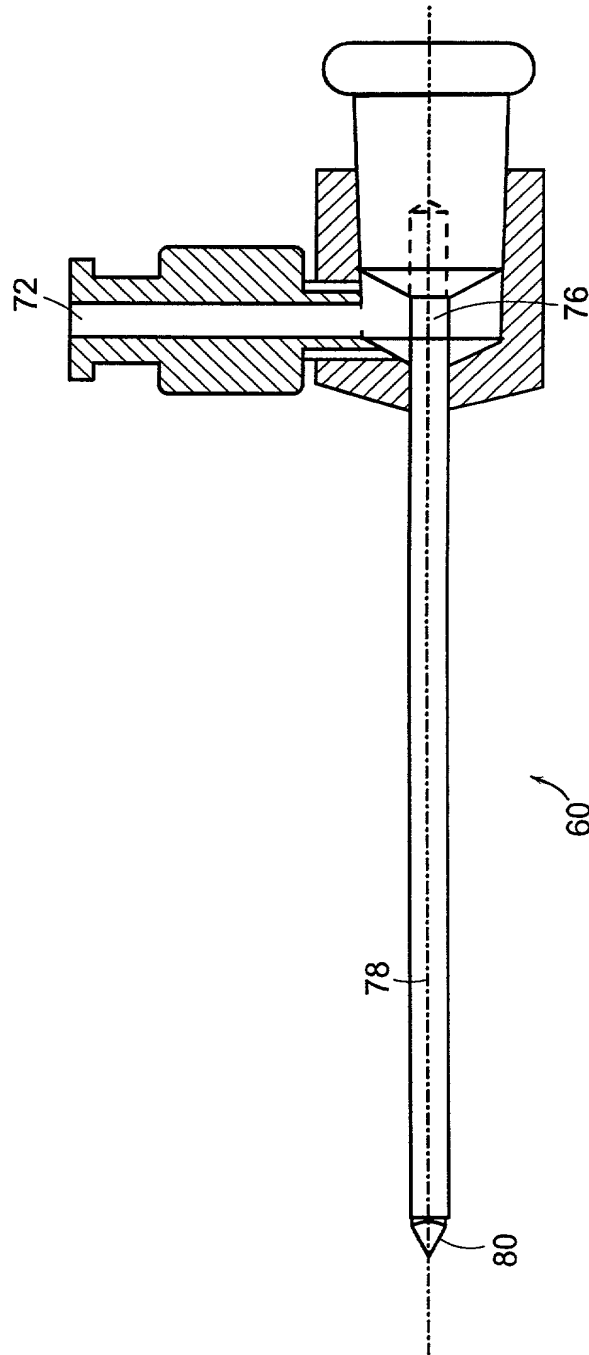
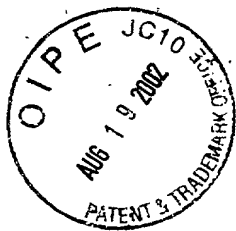


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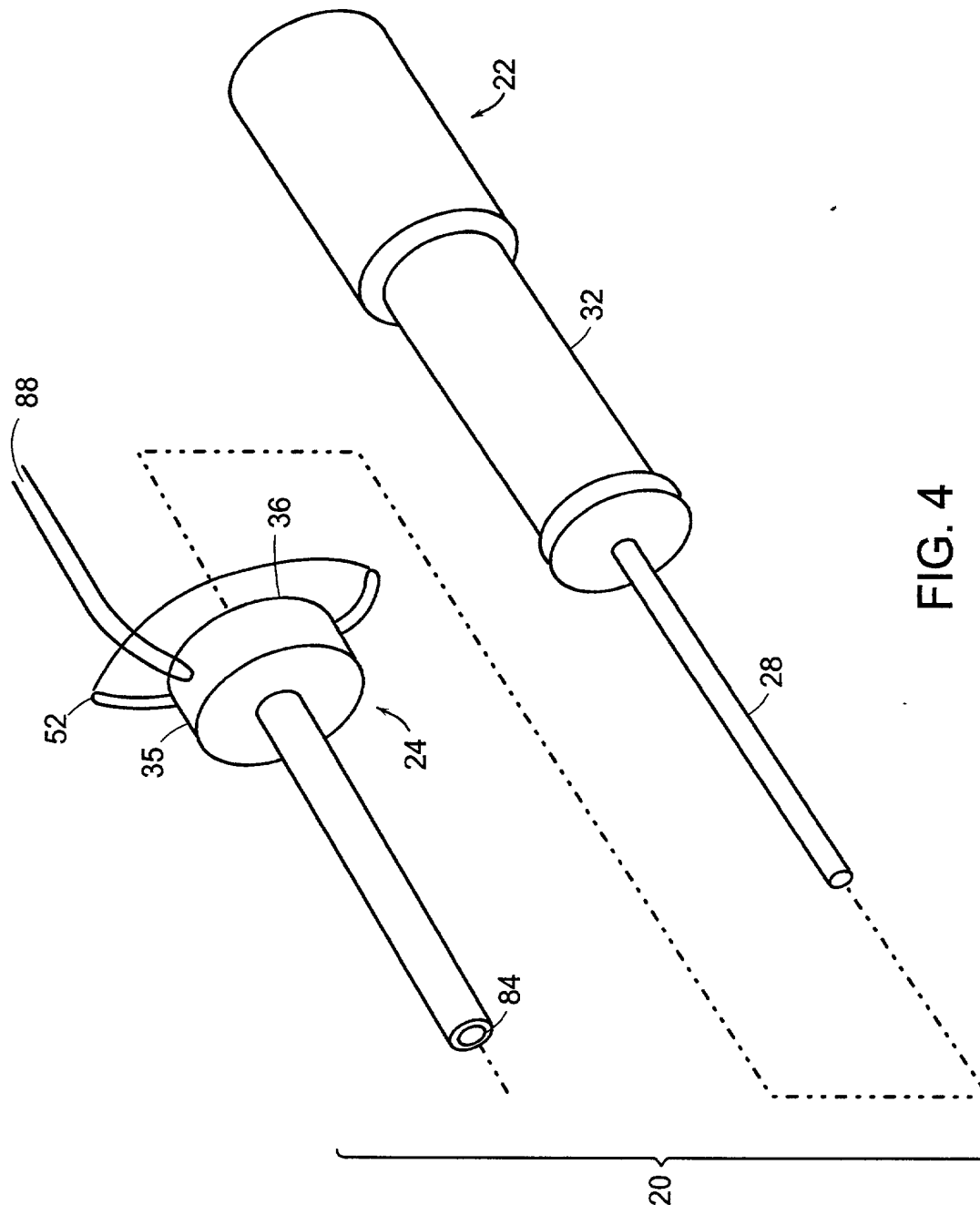
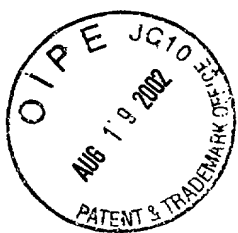


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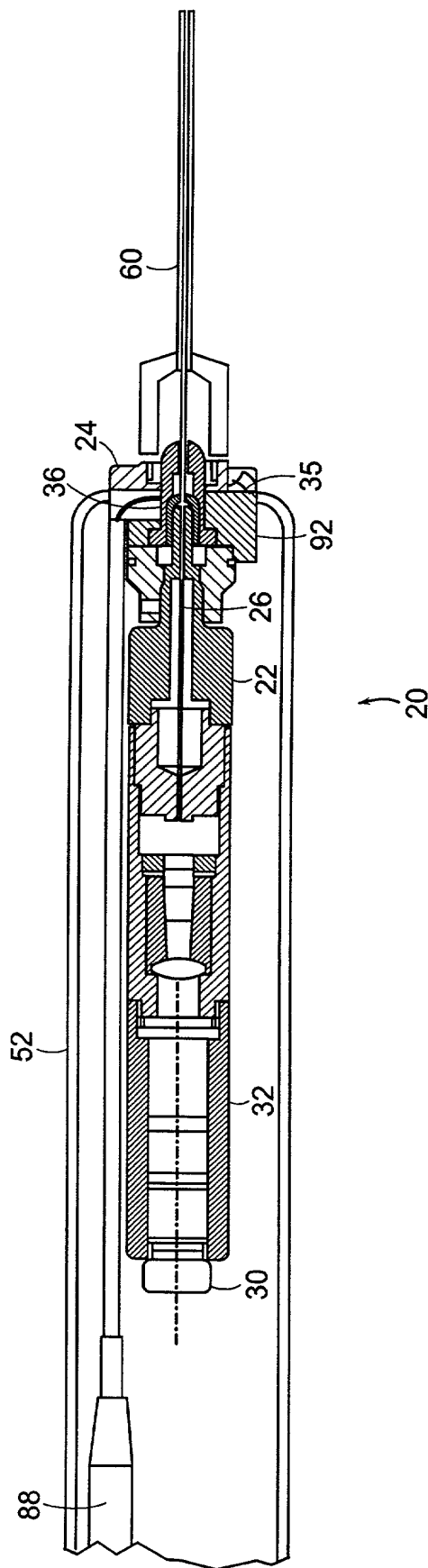
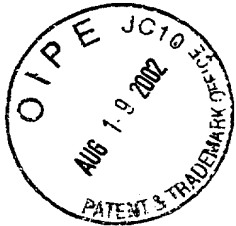


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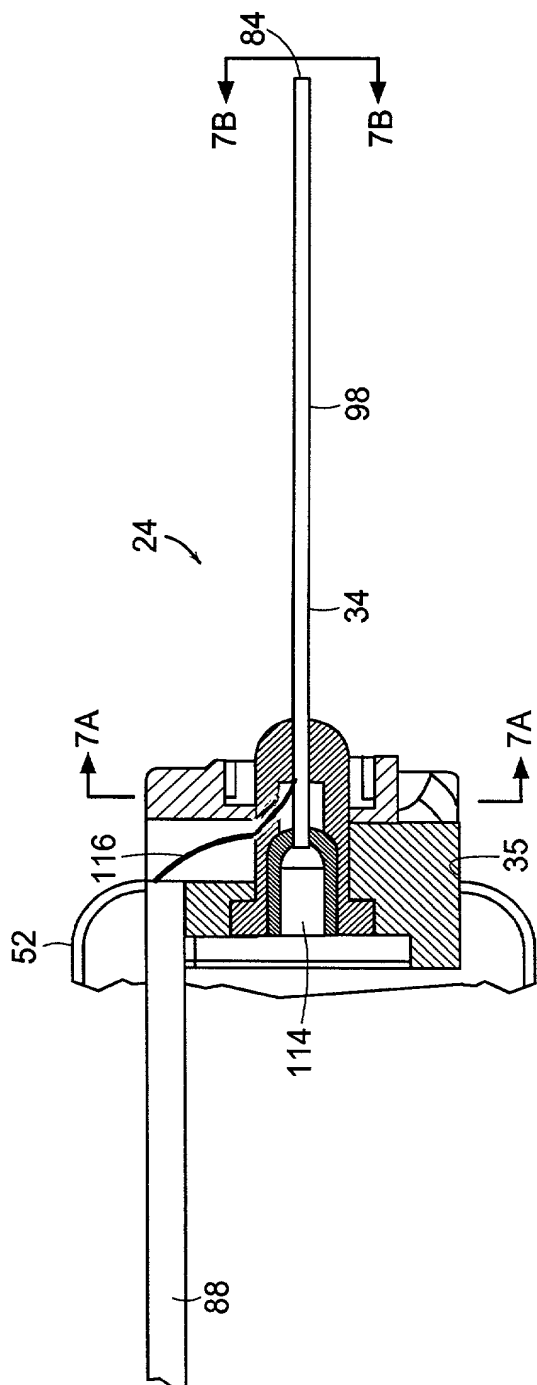


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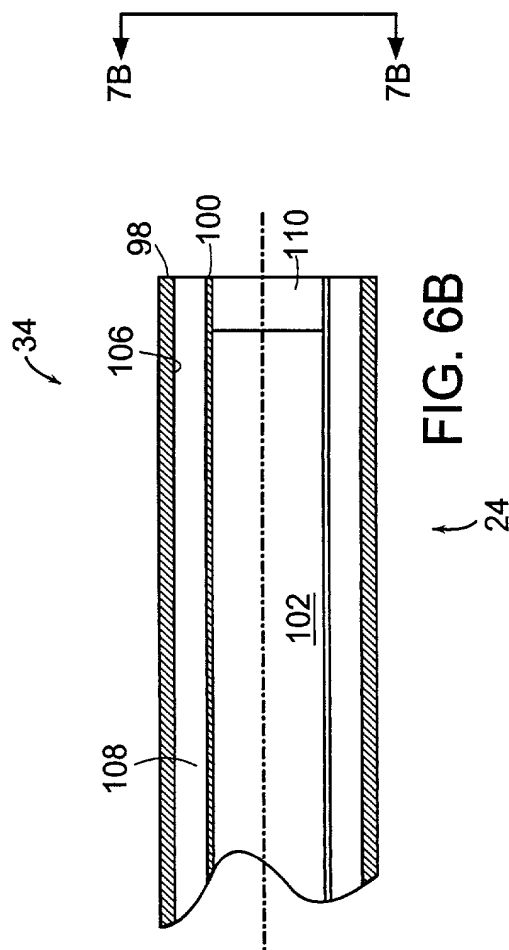
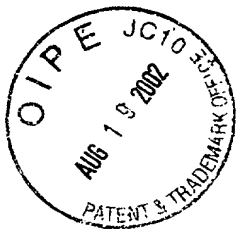


FIG. 6B



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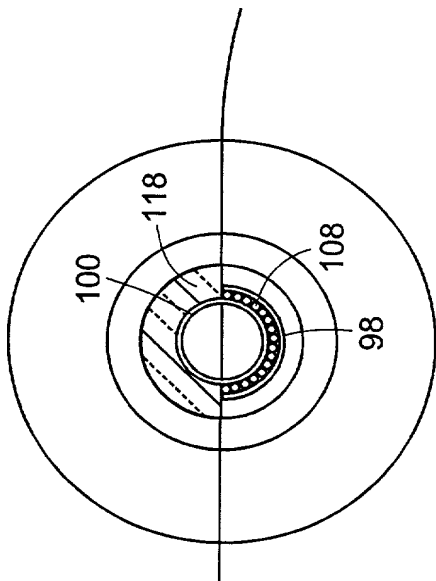


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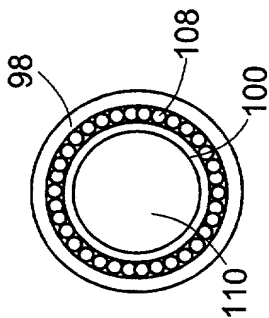


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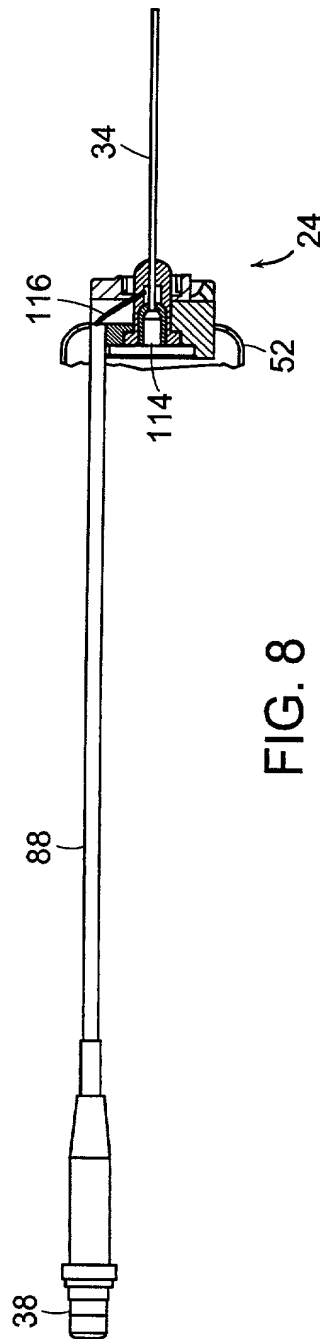
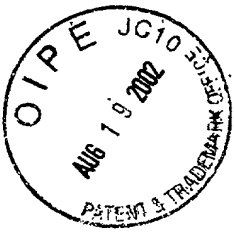


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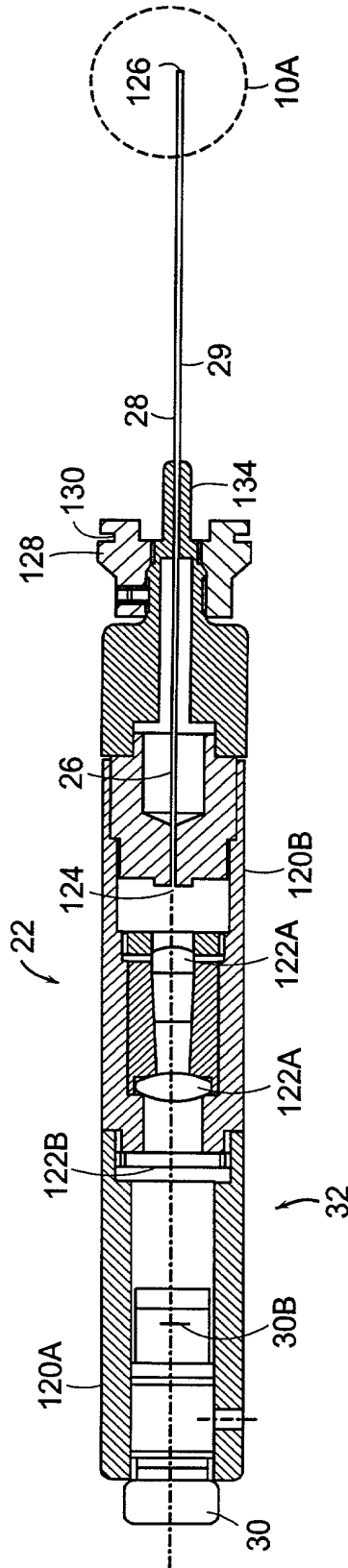
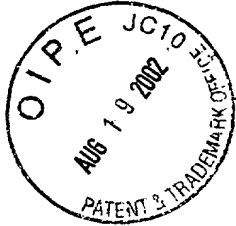


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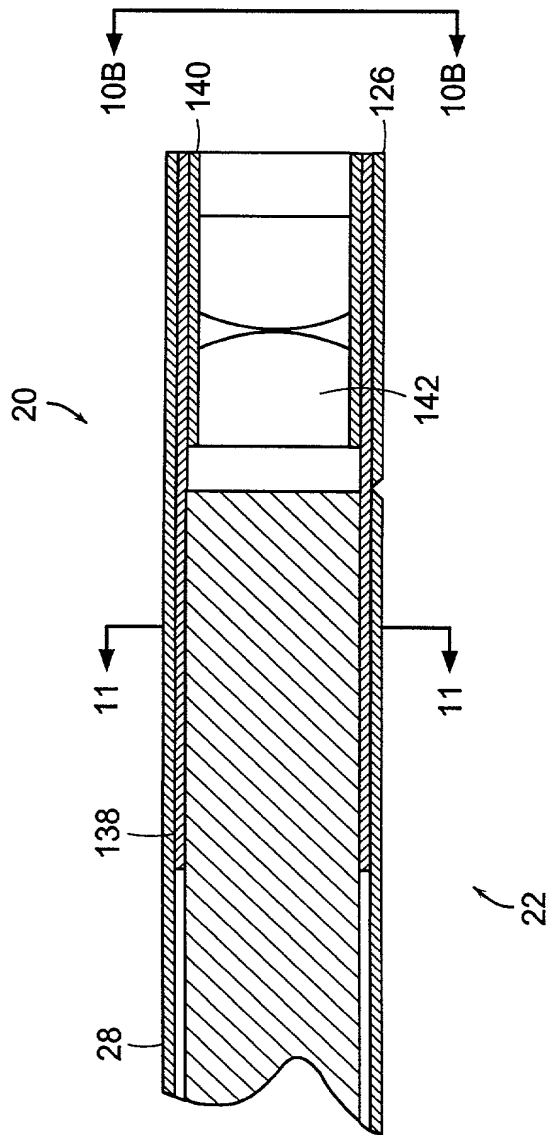


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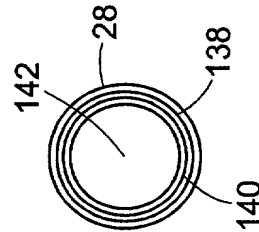
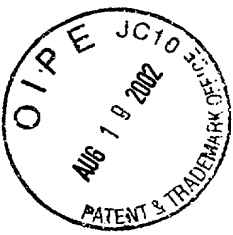


FIG. 10B



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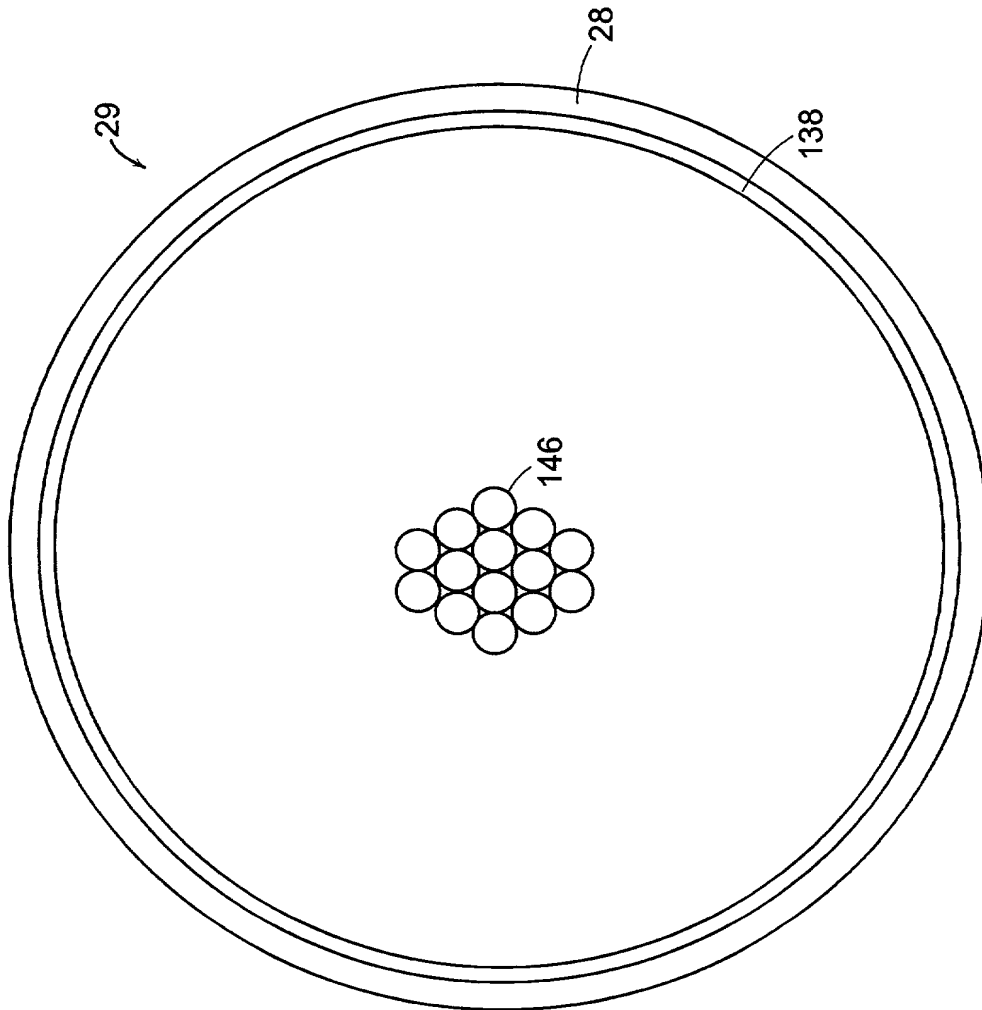
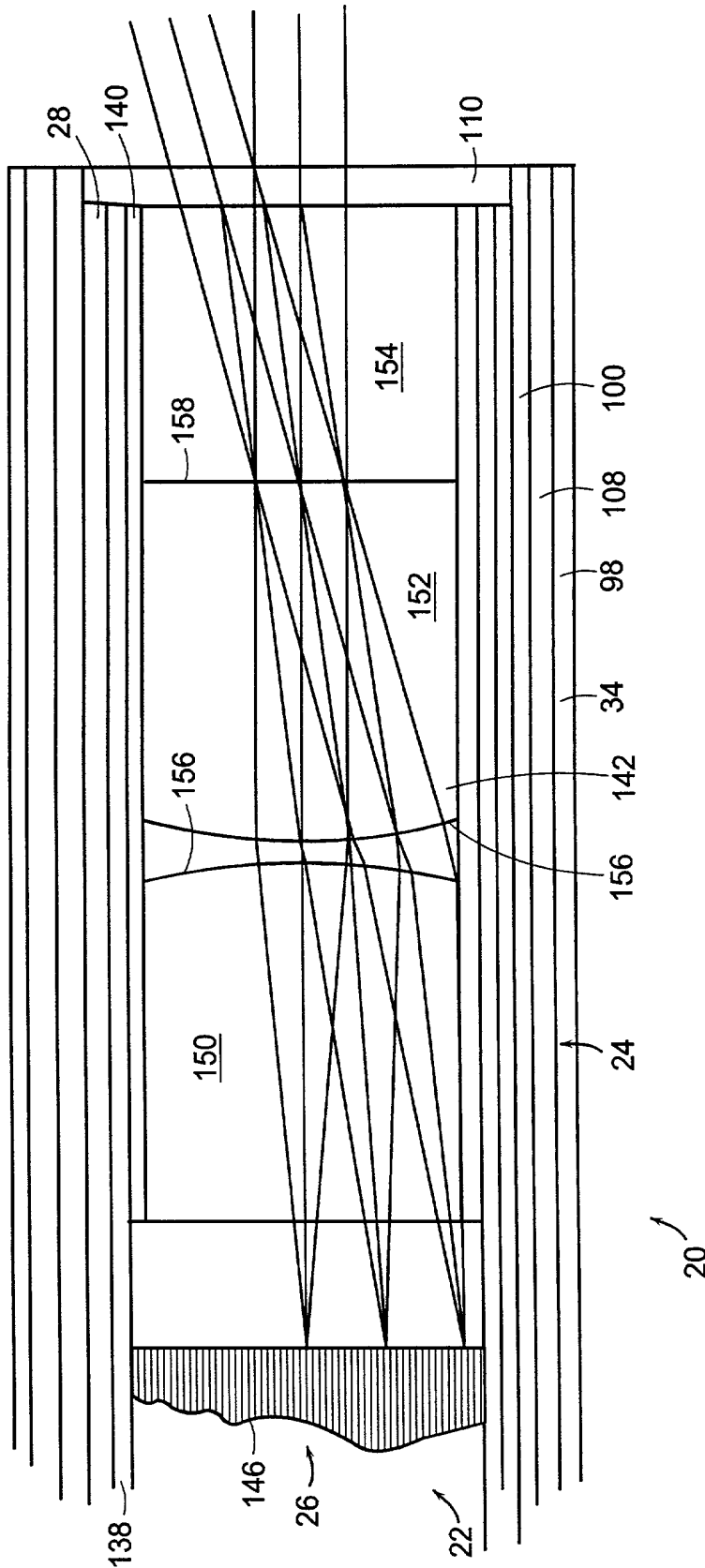
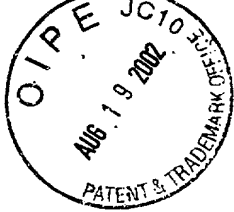


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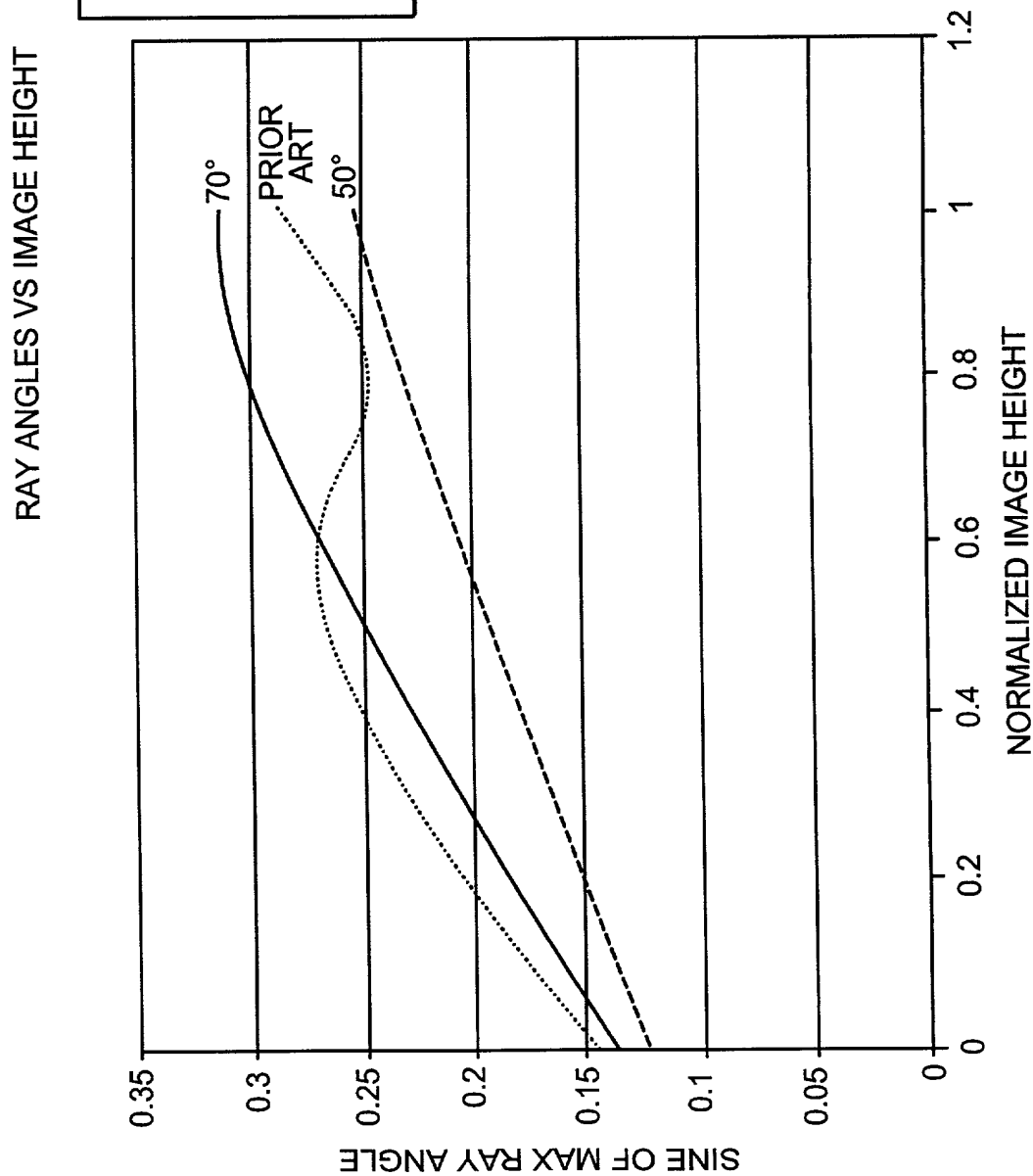
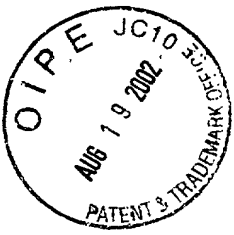


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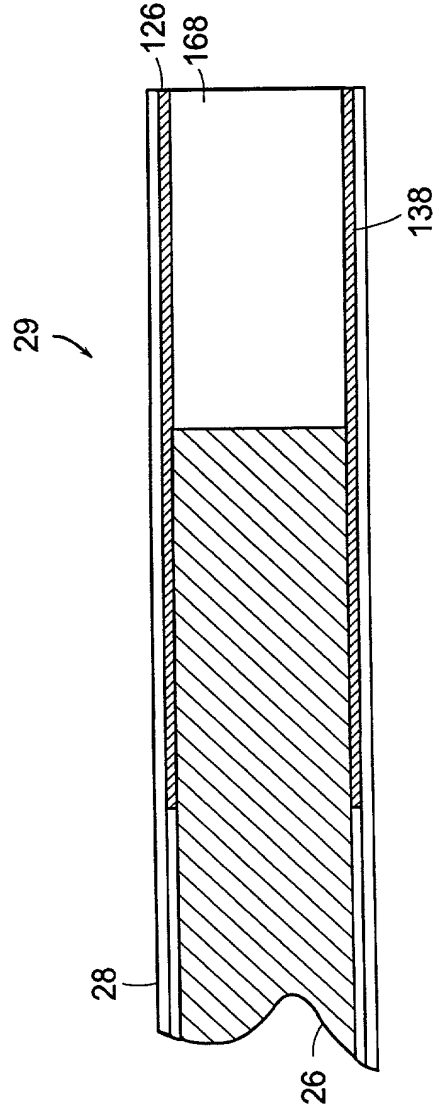
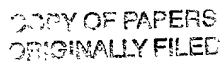


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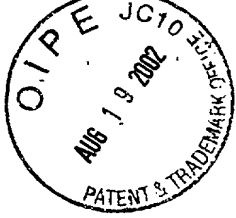
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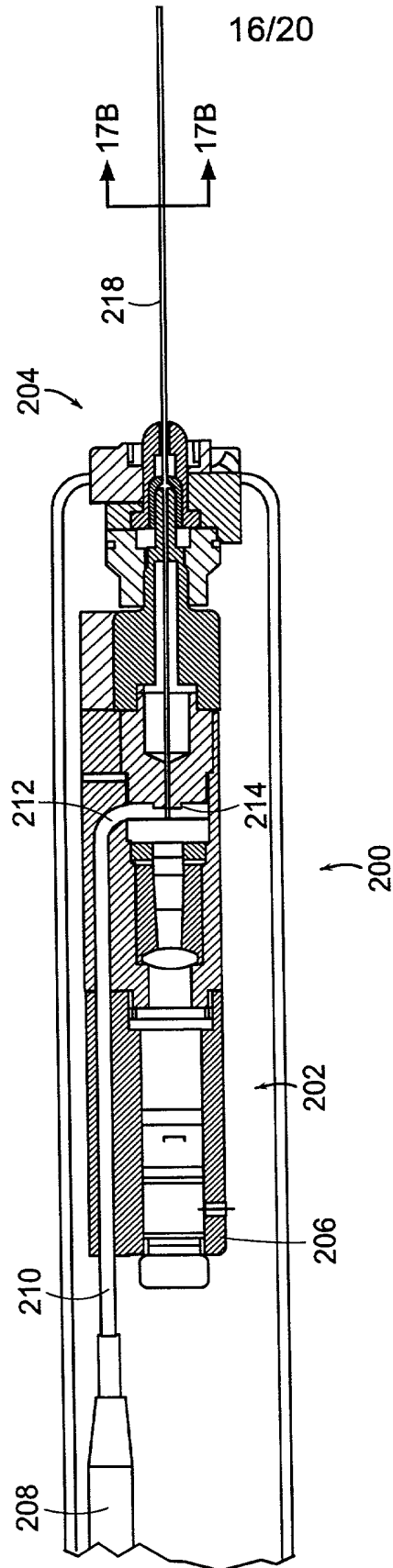
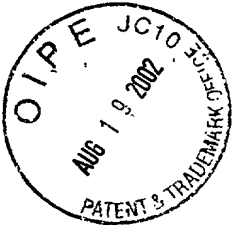


FIG. 17A



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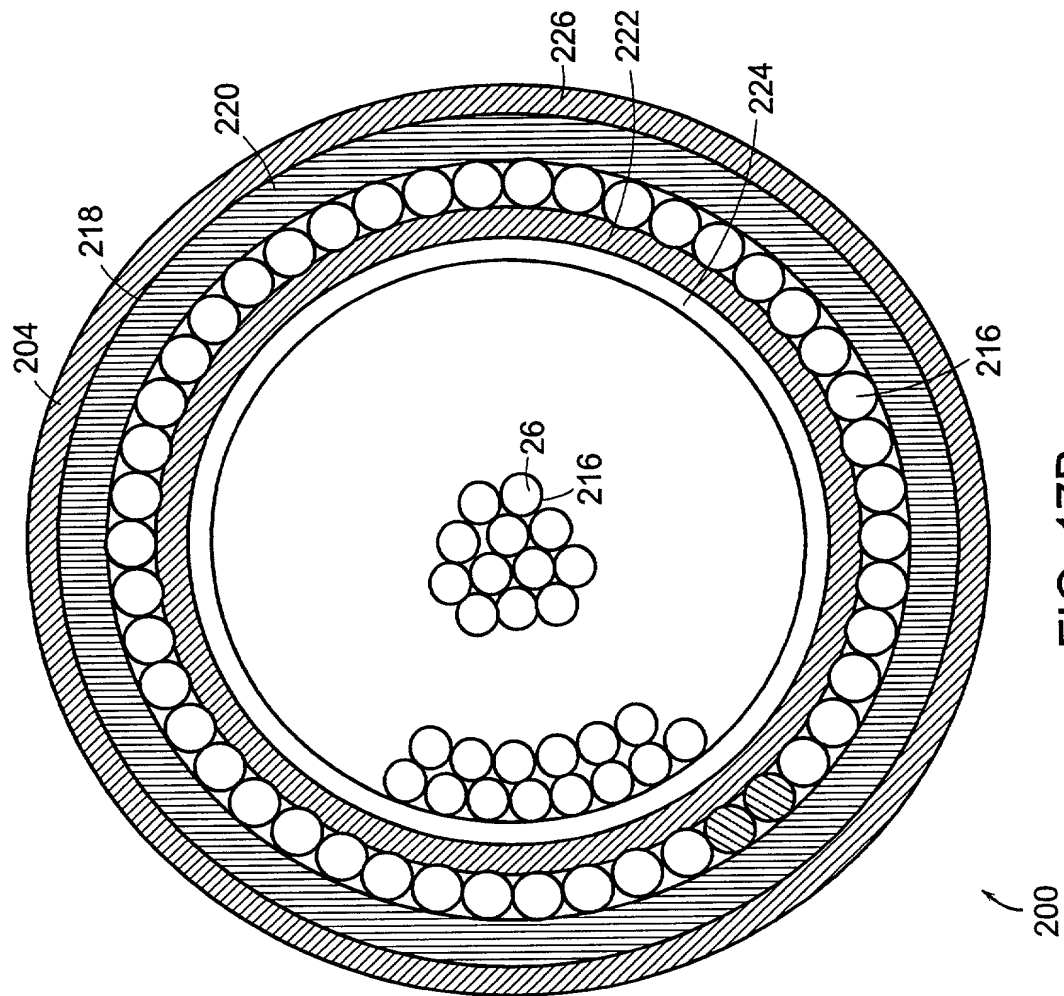
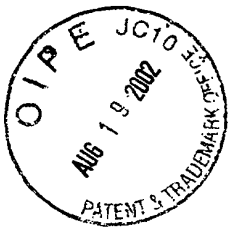


FIG. 17B



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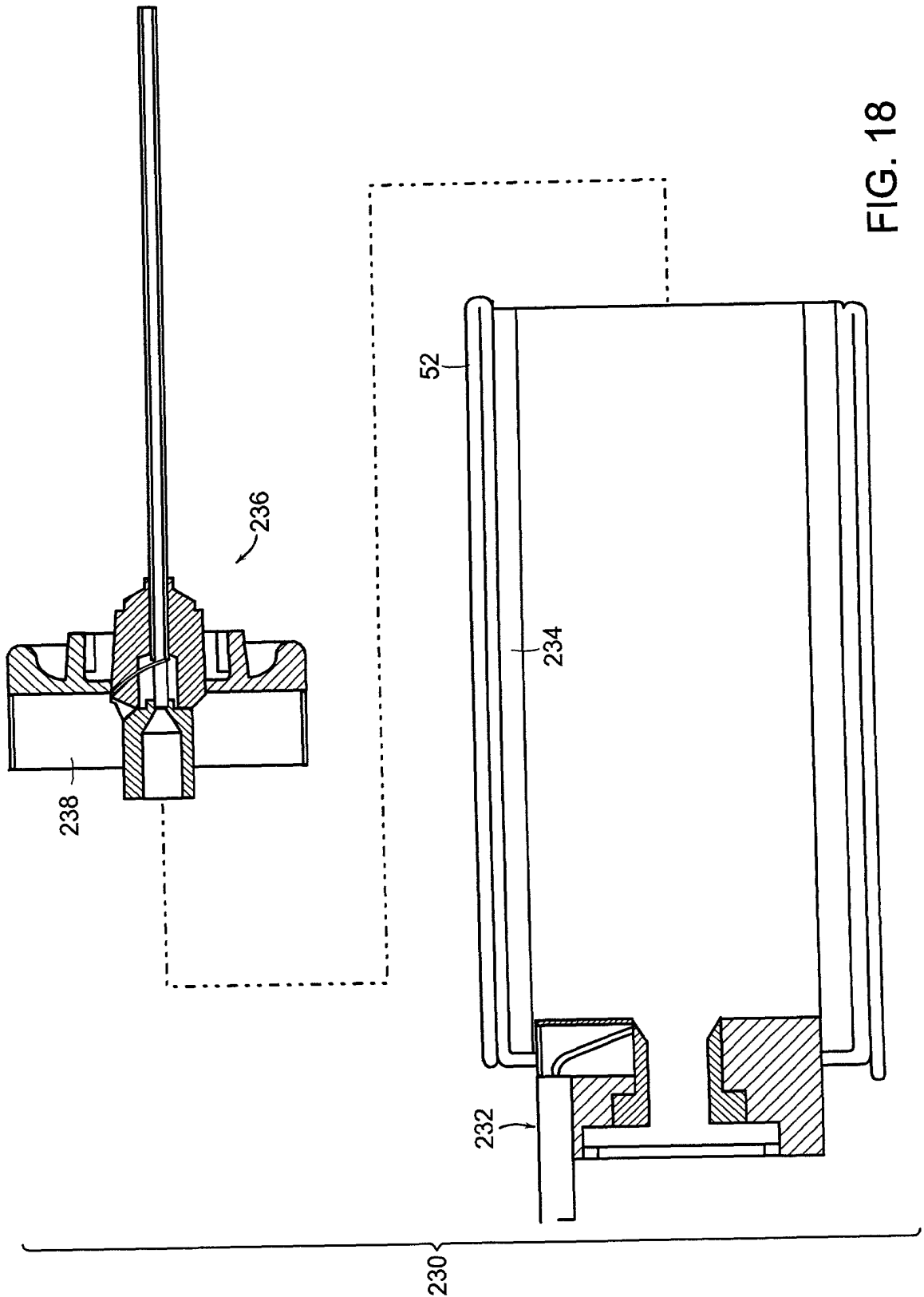
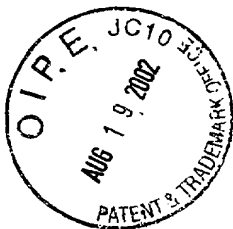


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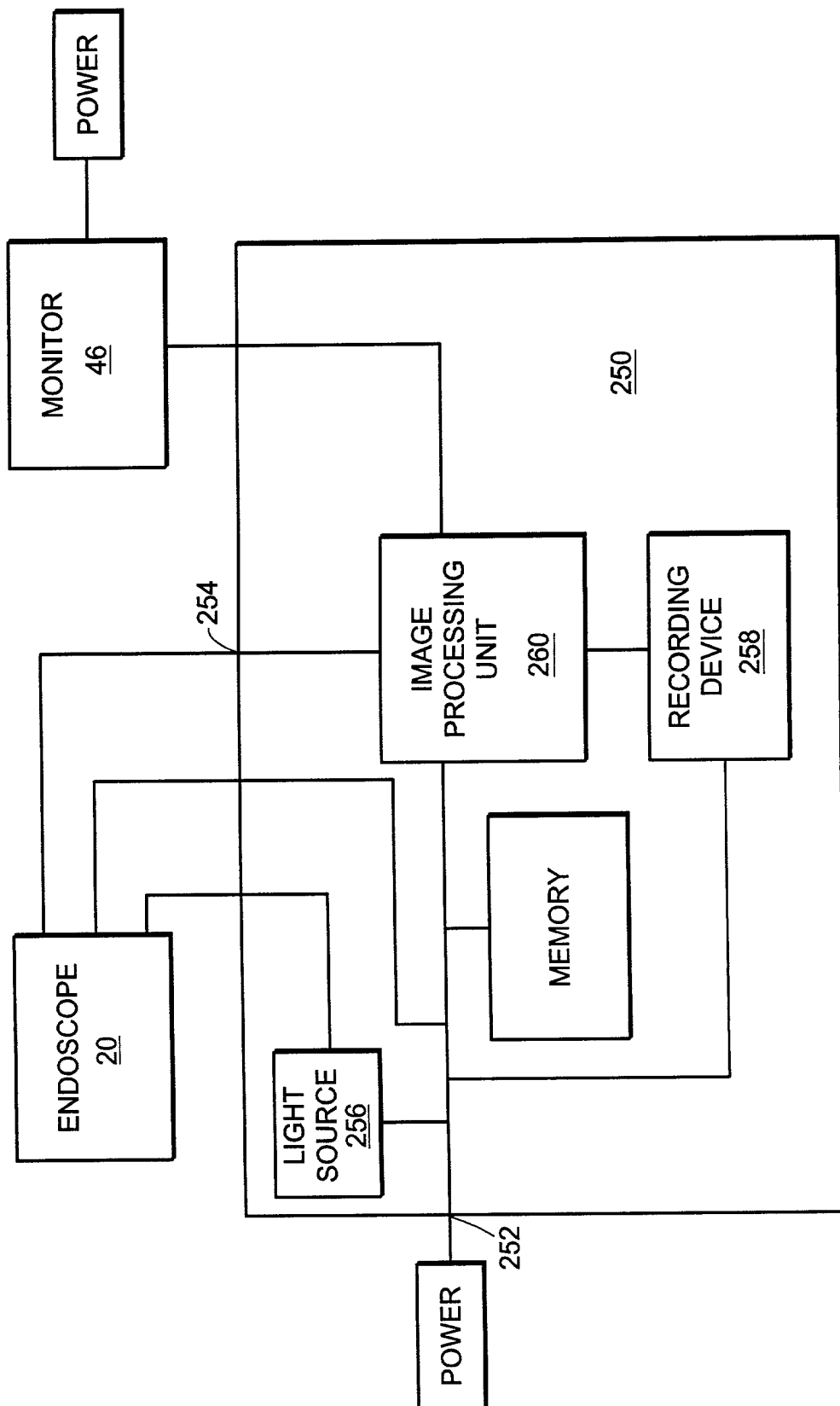
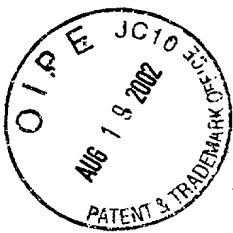


FIG. 19



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USER EXTENDS SHEATH OVER
HANDLE AND INSERTS
CANNULA/TROCAR AT OPERATIVE
SITE
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TROCAR IS REMOVED AND
SHEATHED PROBE INSERTED INTO
CANNULA
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ILLUMINATION SYSTEM IS
ACTUATED AND IMAGING SENSOR
RECORDS VIDEO OF SITE
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OPTIONALLY PERFORM PROCEDURE
AT OPERATIVE SITE
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RECORD IMAGE SEQUENCE ON
MEMORY DEVICE
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CONCLUDE PROCEDURE AND
DISPOSE OF SHEATH ASSEMBLY
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ATTACH NEW SHEATH ASSEMBLY
TO PROBE AND REUSE
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FIG. 20